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SUBJECT: COUP RUMORS INCONGO BRAZZAVILLE

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1. LOCAL FRENCH BUSINESSMAN/ADVENTURER WHO HAS PREVIOUSLY PASSED INFORMATION TO EMBASSY (REFTEL) REPORTED FEBRUARY 28 THAT COLONEL JEAN DA COSTA OF MOLICA WAS AGAIN IN LIBREVILLE IN CONNECTION WITH ARMS PURCHASE FOR CABINDAN LIBERATION MOVEMENT.
2. ACCORDING EMBASSY SOURCE, DA COSTA ALSO REPORTED ON POSSIBILITY OF COUP IN CONGO BRAZZAVILLE. DA COSTA CLAIMS GUERRILLAS HAVE BEGUN OPERATIONS IN CONGO WITH OBJECTIVE OF OVERTHROWING PRESIDENT NGOUABI. DRAMATIC ACTION SUPPOSEDLY SCHEDULED FOR MARCH AND ONE POSSIBILITY IS CUTTING OF CONGO OCEAN RAILWAY.
3. EMBASSY SOURCE HAD NO DETAILS ON IDENTITY OF GUERRILLAS OR SOURCE OF THEIR SUPPORT, BUT HE DID SAY THAT HE HAD ADVISED DA COSTA AGAINST CUTTING RAILWAY WHICH WOULD INTERRUPT GABONS MANGANESE EXPORTS.

4. COMMENT: AS REPORTED REFTEL, EMBASSY HAS NO WAY TO VERIFY

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